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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A spin-on glass (SOG) composition and a method of forming a silicon oxide layer utilizing the SOG composition are disclosed. The method includes coating on a semiconductor substrate having a surface discontinuity, an SOG composition containing perhydropolysilazane having a compound of the formula -(SiH₂NH)_n- wherein n represents a positive integer, a weight average molecular weight within the range of about 4.000 to 8.000, and a molecular weight dispersion within the range of about 3.0 to 4.0, to form a planar SOG layer. The SOG layer is converted to a silicon oxide layer with a planar surface by curing the SOG layer. Also disclosed is a semiconductor device made by the method.